

## SEVEN BILLION DOLLAR WAR FUND CERTAIN

Congress Expected to Take Unanimous Action Today, Senate Next Week.

STATES ASKED TO ASSIST IN COUNSEL

Goethals Will Superintend Government's Merchant Ship Building.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
Washington, April 13.—The seven billion dollar war revenue bill is almost certain to pass the house unanimously tomorrow. The senate is expected to take favorable action early next week.

State Defense Councils.  
Washington, April 13.—The Council of National Defense today requested the governors of states to name state defense councils to work with the national council in furthering the preparedness plan. State councils will be of invaluable assistance in organizing to prosecute the war, the government thinks.

Agricultural Appeal.  
Washington, April 13.—The United States Department of Agriculture is circulating huge quantities of copies of the appeal recently made by Premier Lloyd George to the people of England, urging them to greater production of food as a means of combating the submarine menace. Secretary Houston says the appeal has features distinctly applicable to the United States and should be heeded by all who care anything to produce or save food.

Goethals Supervises Ships.  
Washington, April 13.—Major General Goethals, builder of the Canal Zone, will supervise the government's merchant shipbuilding program, it was announced today.  
A bill will be introduced in both houses of congress early next week, substantially increasing the \$50,000,000 already appropriated for the shipping board for building wooden ships, and the acquisition of other vessels will be expedited.  
Within a week many shipyards will be turning out wooden ships for the fleet, it is understood. Shipbuilders are not waiting on federal contracts, but accepting government promise of 10 per cent profit when vessels are completed.

Defensive Sea Areas.  
Washington, April 13.—An executive order designating "defensive sea areas" on coasts of the United States and its insular possessions, was made public today. Regulations governing the movements of vessels in these waters are appended and the order concludes with this statement:  
"The responsibility of the United States of America for any damage inflicted by force of arms with the object of detaining any persons or vessel proceeding in contravention to regulations duly promulgated in accordance with this executive order shall cease from this date (April 9)."

The areas specified are mouth of the Kennebec river, Portland, Maine; Portsmouth, Boston, New Bedford, Newport, Long Island east, New York east, New York main entrance, Delaware river, Chesapeake entrance, Baltimore, Potomac, Hampton Roads, Wilmington, Cape Fear, Charleston, Savannah, Key West, Tampa, Pensacola, Mobile, Mississippi, Galveston, San Diego, San Francisco, Columbia river, Port Orchard, Honolulu and Manila. An inner and outer limit is fixed for each area and the secretary of the navy is charged with the duty of publishing and enforcing the regulations. Entrances for inbound or outbound vessels are designated for each port. The lightships or other markers of courses to be followed are given with compass bearings for the information of the mariners.

SOUTHERN CUT OVER LAND ASSOCIATION FORMED  
New Orleans, April 12.—The Southern Cut Over Land Association was organized here today, its primary purpose being the sale, colonization and cultivation of more than a hundred million acres of cut over lands in the South, and special encouragement given to growth of foodstuffs.

Lewis Thompson, of Houston, Tex., chairman of the association.  
Two in Family MURDERED; OTHERS INJURED  
Charleston, S. C., April 13.—Edward Wolff and wife were dead, three children are probably fatally injured, when the police went to the Foltz residence tonight. The mother and child had been struck on the head with a hammer, and Wolff was shot in the head.

## GERMANS LOSE GUNS AND MEN TO THE BRITISH

Over Thirteen Thousand Prisoners Taken in the Recent Drive.

FIVE VILLAGES ALSO CAPTURED

General Haig's Men Have Gained Footing in the German Trenches.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
The British official communication issued this evening declares the number of prisoners taken in the offensive begun last Monday now aggregates more than 13,000, and 166 guns were also taken.

British today pressed back Germans all along the line on a twelve-mile front north of the River Scarpe to south of Loos. Five villages were taken.  
Northeast of Lens, Field Marshal Haig's men announce they have gained a footing in the German trenches, taking many prisoners, guns and ammunition. The villages captured were Bailleul, Willerval, Vimy, Petit, Vimy, Givenchy-en-Go-Helle, and Ancois.

Today official report from London tells of a notable victory won in an assault on this sector of the line, along a nine mile front. Position after position was taken by General Haig's forces on this front, between Baricourt, eight miles northwest of St. Quentin, to Metz-an-Couture, ten miles southwest of Cambrai.  
It was in this region that the great German retirement of last month took place. According to the Germans, retirement was to have been delayed any contemplated British offensive here for weeks if not months. Nevertheless the British have evidently been able to organize their communications and bring up their guns across the devastated territory and to deliver a smashing and effective blow within a comparatively few days.

While the British were halting momentarily on the northern end of the line to consolidate their gains and move up their artillery and meanwhile attacking in the center, the French chose the opportunity to make a sharp thrust south of St. Quentin. Their attack was delivered this morning and its success is recorded in the Paris official statement which recounts the capture of several lines of trenches between the Somme and the St. Quentin railway against desperate German resistance.

General Nivelle's troops also have kept up their offensive movement south of the Oise, making further progress east of Coucy la Ville.

## FOREIGN WAR CORPS MEET

Eminent Men From Allied Governments to Warn U. S. of Their Mistakes.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
Washington, April 13.—The international war council, to which Great Britain and France are sending eminent statesmen, soldiers and sailors, will assemble next week. The principal purpose is to help the United States to avoid mistakes and difficulties as beset the allies when the war began.  
American officials in all departments have an opportunity to meet the foreign commissioners personally and discuss with them problems facing the allies at the beginning of the war, which the allies solved only by bitter experience. Consideration will be given of the broad principle upon which the United States may marshal its forces, with least possible waste, delay and the greatest possible efficiency, and effectiveness.  
Rear Admiral William S. Sims, president of the American naval war college, has arrived in London. He will act as an intermediary between the British and American naval officials in working out the problems involved in participation of the American navy in ranks of the entente powers. Early conferences of French, British and American naval officers are expected to specify produce, a working agreement between the three navies.

## Militia Company Not Accepted Artillery Units Needed

It is not to have an infantry military company at all. It may, however, organize a company of coast artillery. The war department is not authorizing the organization of any more infantry militia companies. One hundred and nine men are needed to organize a coast artillery company.  
Secretary Phillips, who with Manuel Quina and Louis Shuttleworth, has been enrolling the infantry company, announces that the men who enrolled for that service, will be released from their obligation, but is endeavoring to have them transfer their decision to the new arm of service. To date, seventy applications for membership in the coast artillery have been received.  
Following is the telegram received by Mr. Phillips from the adjutant general:  
"Your petition to form infantry company at Pensacola received. War department has declined to accept any additional troops from Florida except coast artillery. One hundred and nine men required for coast artillery company. Your organization can be accepted as coast artillery provided you secure the required number of men. Petition being returned to you for additional enrollment."  
"CHRISTIAN, Adjutant General."

## GOV. CATTS FOR PRESIDENT IN 1919 LATEST BRIDGE TOLL BILL CAUSES LIVELY DEBATE

Admitted by Close Friends That Governor May Be a Candidate.

NO CONFIRMATION HAS BEEN GIVEN OUT

Wrote Letter to Attorney-General Which Conveyed Such an Impression.

STAFF SPECIAL.  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 13.—While it is impossible to get an official confirmation, it is currently rumored and admitted by close friends of the governor that Governor Catts has announced his intention of running for president in 1919. In an interview given out and certified to the press bureau, the statement is made that the governor has five million behind him now, and before the war is over he will have eight million. It is further stated that the governor claims that Sturkie made him governor, and that Gornito will make him president.  
Senator Gornito, of the twelfth, is the author of the resolution introduced in the senate condemning Catts for his remarks concerning the legislators getting drunk. The rumor gains further credence by the general circulation of the letter which Catts wrote to the attorney general threatening to run for president and kicking all the officials out.

## ALIENS MAKE OWN LIVING

May Be Afforded Opportunity to Grow Crops in Suitable Sections.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
Washington, April 13.—Aliens now detained at civilian internment camps and immigrant station throughout the United States, because of their inability to qualify for admission, will be given an opportunity to grow their own food if the immigration commission can find farming communities suited to their needs. More than three thousand aliens would jam Ellis Island and other stations. Crews taken from German and Austrian merchant ships, and citizens of friendly neutrals are included in the plans.

No Internment of Americans.  
Berlin, April 12.—Americans in Germany will not be interned, it is announced here today, following a conference with civil, military and political authorities. They will be treated almost precisely as President Wilson has announced Germans in America will be treated. Their business will not be interfered with in any way.

## NAVY ENLISTMENTS SHOW GOOD RESULT

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
Washington, April 13.—The navy's tremendous recruiting campaign is beginning to show results. Enlistment now is close to 70,000, a net gain of 4,871 for the first twelve days of April. When the enlistment reaches 87,000, as already authorized, subsequent enlistments will probably be "for duration of the war." This would enable war volunteers to fill up the active service.

## BETTER CITY IS MOTTO OF ORDER LEAGUE

Two Hundred Citizens Band Themselves to See That Law is Enforced.

ASK CLOSURE OF CLUBS AT NIGHT

Constitution Adopted, Officers Elected, and Work is Mapped Out.

Two hundred citizens of Pensacola met at the city hall yesterday morning and completed the organization that has been under way for several days, organized a "Law Enforcement League," adopted a constitution and began active work to make Pensacola a better city. Resolutions were passed requesting the city commissioners to pass an ordinance to compel service clubs and social clubs to observe the same closing hours as saloons, from 6 p. m. until 7 a. m. These resolutions were presented by E. R. Malone and contained some radical reform suggestions.  
Officers of the league were elected as follows: President, Will H. Watson; vice president, Judge A. C. Blount; secretary, Herron D'Alemberte; treasurer, J. S. Reese. Upon nominations all officers were elected by acclamation.  
An executive committee of fifteen was elected as follows: James M. Muldon, J. E. Taylor, M. J. Elkan, W. P. Cunningham, Dr. L. DeM. Blocker, Henry Judevine, Lee McDonnell, John Massey, A. M. Le Poidevant, J. B. Perkins and E. R. Malone.  
Mr. Watson and Judge Blount made stirring speeches after their election.

Mr. Toulon, representing the commandant at the navy yard, addressed the meeting stating that the military officers here were ready to cooperate with the citizens in the establishment of a law and order league.  
Resolutions.  
The resolutions submitted by E. R. Malone, and unanimously adopted, were as follows:  
Whereas, The preservation of the public safety requires the strict regulation of the dispensing of intoxicating liquors in public places; and  
Whereas, The city commissioners, through Judge O. J. Semmes, have expressed their willingness to ordain such ordinances as will adequately regulate the dispensing of intoxicating liquors in the city. Therefore be it Resolved, That the city commissioners of the city of Pensacola be, and they are hereby requested, to immediately ordain an ordinance which shall embody these provisions:  
1. That, from the date of such ordinance, all so-called service clubs and social clubs shall be required to close their doors and refuse to dispense intoxicating liquors to any person between the hours of six (6) o'clock p. m. and seven (7) a. m. and to close their doors and refuse to dispense intoxicating liquors at any place at any times at which the sale of intoxicating liquors is prohibited by state laws. The design being that the ordinances of the city regulating service and social clubs shall conform to the laws of the state regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors, so that the former may not be used as a subterfuge for the violation of the latter.  
2. That the service and social clubs shall be so arranged that the public shall have a free and easy

access to the same.  
The resolutions were adopted by a vote of 100 to 0.  
The meeting adjourned until next Monday night, when the league will hold its first public meeting.

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## Militia Company Enrolled In Millville, Drilling Is Begun

Millville, Fla., April 13.—Capt. F. M. Turner having succeeded in completing the enlistment of a militia company at Millville, left here today for Tallahassee to confer with national guard officers of the adjutant general and governor's office relative to this new company's status. Since receiving authority to organize a company more than four weeks ago, Capt. Turner has had regular thrice a week drills with fine attendance, and with the interest now displayed it is contemplated to extend the drills to four nights each week with a school for non-commissioned officers the remaining two nights of each week. The petition now bears 88 signers, and no trouble will be experienced in securing an additional 12 to 15 men to bring the company to war strength. The full complement of men now enlisted are Millville boys, and there remains Panama City and St. Andrews to draw from if needed, which is not anticipated now. Most of the members of the new company are already used to hard work and camp life will work no hardships on them. In fact, it is believed they can be ready for long marches within 60 days. No better specimen of muscle and brawn can be exhibited by any company in the state. Without much advertising the leaders of this new organization have taken the men through the first drills with a thoroughness which will have its good effect so long as the company continues.  
Capt. Turner saw service in the work by experienced men who have served in the regular army and Florida national guard, among whom are Mallie Martin, John Phillips, Marlin Harrison, Harry Phillips, Amos Gaiety and others.  
Capt. Turner saw service in the Spanish-American war and is sacrificing now a large business interest to answer the call of his country, believing it to be the duty of every citizen to put forth his or her best efforts and do it now.

## HUNDREDS ENROLL FOR HOME GUARDS; WOODMEN GIVE PATRIOTIC PARADE

Citizens Enroll Two Companies of Home Guards and Elect Officers.

## WOODMEN FURNISH 167 "VOLUNTEERS"

Drilling Will Begin Next Week—Big Flag in the Parade Thrills Throng.

Assembling at the W. O. W. hall, at the corner of Romana and Baylen streets last night in response to call issued early in the week, about three hundred members of the city W. O. W. camps held a rousing meeting, and a total of 167 were signed up for the Woodmen Home Guard.  
Patriotic speeches featured the meeting; after which more than two hundred lined up, marched from the hall to Palafox street, southward to Government and then wheeling, went to the armory, where the fact of the organization was made known to Major R. M. Cary, in command of the battalion forming in this city.  
The organization of the W. O. W. Home Guard was spontaneous. There was urging, no pleading. All those who could get to the secretary's desk willingly attached their signatures and were ready for orders. Another meeting, to perfect the organization yet stronger, will take place Monday night, when more definite organization will be effected.  
P. L. Rollo was unanimously elected commander.

The roster for the Woodmen company will be kept open at 16 South Palafox street, beginning this morning, and by next Monday night another hundred names are expected to be written on the roll. On next Monday it will then be announced what definite plans of activity will be formed.  
One of the features of the parade, which was ordered immediately after leaving the meeting place, was the carrying of the large flag at the W. O. W. hall, 75 men surrounding the biggest Stars and Stripes in this part of the country, it is said, and bearing this proudly through the streets. All along the route this great flag was cheered by crowds which lined the sidewalks along the line of march. About every man in the line carried a flag, making of it one of the most impressive patriotic demonstrations recently organized here.

Home Guards Choose Officers.  
The Home Guards met at the armory hall last night and formed themselves into a battalion of two companies with R. M. Cary battalion major and O. J. Semmes and H. H. Thornton captains of the companies. The organization of a Home Guard was begun last Monday night, when 96 men signed up, making the membership of the Home Guard now 162.  
Judge A. C. Blount, who was chosen as organized at the first meeting, presided and presented a bill for the approval of the Home Guards to be presented to the state legislature for passage, which will have the recruiting of Home Guards in the state of Florida and placing it under state control.

Judge Blount said that the idea for forming the Home Guard was that if an enemy invades the United States, or the young men are called away, there would be a force at home for protection. Mr. Blount said that only men should join the Home Guard who are not eligible for service in the national army. Unfortunately, the judge said, before the Home Guard can be legally authorized, a special act of authorization will have to be passed in the state legislature.  
Bill Presented.  
A committee of ten men were appointed by Judge Blount to perfect the bill as he presented it, and to take the proper steps to have it passed by the legislature. The following men compose the committee: J. T. Whiting, chairman; James O'Brien, R. F. Mitchell, J. B. Harris, John Massey, W. J. Oertling, R. M. Cary, C. S. Bonacker, A. Sarra and S. F. Bogart.  
On the suggestion of O. J. Semmes that the Home Guard be organized immediately and that the work of the Guard be started as soon as possible, it was moved and passed that a battalion be formed out of the members enrolled and that Col. R. M. Cary be the major. "Major" a cry then lined the men up and divided them into two companies. In "A" company Edwin Fox was appointed first lieutenant and W. S. Oertling second lieutenant. In "B" company John Massey was appointed first lieutenant and J. B. Price second lieutenant. "A" company will report at the armory hall Friday night at 7:30 for drill, and "B" company will have its first drill Tuesday night at 7:30.  
The following are 66 men who enrolled:  
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## MILTON CORPS ORDERED OUT

Hospital Unit Ready to Entrain 45 Minutes After Order is Received.

SPECIAL TO THE JOURNAL.  
Milton, April 13.—Hilton's hospital corps has been ordered out. Destination is not announced, but marching orders are expected some time tomorrow morning. The order was received at half past two this afternoon, and 45 minutes later, every man, except one, who lives far out in the country, had reported for duty, and all equipment was packed. The corps is dismissed until seven tomorrow morning.  
Comprising the corps are: Dr. Z. V. Johnston, commanding officer with the rank of first lieutenant; Adone B. Tomasello, first sergeant; Giles F. Lewis, sergeant; Geo. V. Davis, Hurley W. Holland, Ed. F. McCombs, J. H. Francis, Jr., first class private; and Clark Chavers, Oscar P. DeRamus, Chas. H. Diamond, Robt. T. Hicks, Webb C. Jennings, Allan Proctor Keen, Pietro Tomasello, Jr., privates.  
Every one of the boys was presented with a Bible by Mrs. Effie McLain Elliott.